



PATENT  
Serial No: 09/943,262  
Docket No: 1743-193

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Tohru Ishitani, *et al.*  
Serial No. : 09/943,262  
Filed : August 30, 2001  
For : SCANNING CHARGED-ARTICLE MICROSCOPE  
Group Art Unit : 2853 Confirmation No: 8263  
Examiner : Lam S. Nguyen

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop - Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2005, and the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment dated February 6, 2006, kindly amend the application as follows: